

## **Rule 5: Judge Pro Tempore**

- 5.1** In the event a Municipal Judge is temporarily unable to preside due to absence, illness, or disqualification, or may otherwise be required to preside at additional sessions of the Municipal Court docket as may be needed due to the caseload, the Administrative Judge may designate an attorney(s) to act as Judge Pro Tempore.
- 5.2** The Judge Pro Tempore shall have the same powers and duties as the duly authorized Municipal Court Judges to hear all cases appearing on the docket to which such Judge Pro Tempore is assigned.
- 5.3** All persons serving as Judge Pro Tempore shall meet the following criteria:
- a. Licensed and in good standing to practice law in the State of Kansas;
  - b. Complies with the Code of Judicial Conduct while serving the Court;
  - c. Exhibits professional habits of competence, judicial temperament, punctuality, timeliness, integrity and independence;
  - d. Enjoys the continuing approval of the Administrative Judge;
  - e. Is not a practicing attorney in Municipal Court or a prosecutor in any Court.